Remarks

Claims 1-29 are pending in this application. With this amendment, claims 13-27 of Group II are being are being amended so as to be drawn to the subject matter of the claims of Group I.

Elections / Restrictions

Restriction to one of the disclosed inventions was required. Applicant elects to proceed with the inventions of Group I, claims 1-12 and 28-29, drawn to an apparatus comprising a mail sorting device and a folder device.

Applicant has amended claims 13-27 so as to be drawn to a method of using an apparatus comprising a mail sorting device and a folder device.

Should the Examiner wish to discuss this application further, please contact the Assignee's attorney at the telephone number provided below.

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